

## **WHEELLOCK ACADEMY**

**Off U.S. Route 70, Millerton vicinity**

This academy, housed in several buildings, began as a mission school in 1832. It became the prototype for tribal school systems established by the Five Civilized Tribes in the Indian Territory and set the precedent for some 35 academies and seminaries over the years. Wheelock, named for the founder of Dartmouth College, existed as a Choctaw tribal school until 1932, when it became a regular United States Indian School. It merged with Jones Academy in 1955. In 1997, the Choctaw Nation began repairing and restoring the property.